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The issue of the *Survey* for January 22, 1916, contains accounts of the annual meetings of the American Economic Association (A. A. Young), American Sociological Society (M. B. Cothren), American Political Science Association (C. L. King), American Association for Labor Legislation (J. A. Fitch), American Civic Association (R. B. Watrous), Pan-American Scientific Congress (E. T. Devine), and American Association of University Professors (D. Tucker).

Stimulated by an invitation from the department of economics of the University of Idaho, a state tax association was organized at Boise in the latter part of December, 1915. Although no formal vote was taken, it was generally agreed that it would be a mistake to abolish the state tax commission but that it should be re-created in some form; that the state board of equalization should be abolished; that a new method of classifying and presenting receipts and expenditures should be devised; and that the accounting system of the state should be thoroughly revised.

At the recent conference of the National Commission on Church and Country Life, at Columbus, Ohio, 22 representatives of colleges and universities met to consider the scope and limitations of the service which colleges can render in increasing church efficiency. President Butterfield, of the Massachusetts Agricultural College, was requested to secure a complete list of teachers and extension workers interested in rural organization and to plan for a closer affiliation of those actively engaged in this form of service.

At the National Conference on Marketing and Farm Credits, held in Chicago, November 29-December 2, 1915, 33 representatives of colleges and universities held a session to consider organization for the discussion of their particular problems at the next meeting of the conference. Members of the program committee are Professor John Le Coulter, of the University of West Virginia, chairman; Professor B. H. Hibbard, of the University of Wisconsin; Professor McPherson of the Oregon Agricultural College; and Professor Paul L. Vogt, of Ohio State University.

At the seventh session of the Graduate School of Agriculture, to be held at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, Amherst, July 3-28, 1916, more than usual emphasis is to be laid upon the subjects of agricultural economics and rural sociology.

Columbia University in cooperation with the Life Underwriters' Association of New York is giving a course in general insurance which will run from January to the latter part of May.

The courses in commerce and business administration at the University of Illinois, established in 1902 with David Kinley as director, have been organized into a college of Commerce and Business Administration. Dr. N. A. Weston, assistant professor of economics, has been appointed acting dean. The three departments of the new college—economics, finance, and statistics; transportation; and business organization and operation—are in the respective charge of Professors Kinley, Dewsnup, and Young.

A school of business at Columbia University will open in September, 1916.

William H. Allen, formerly director of the Bureau of Municipal Research of New York City, has established the Institute for Public Service (51 Chambers Street, New York City).

A survey of the natural resources of the state of New York has been undertaken by a faculty committee in the College of Agriculture of Cornell University, headed by Professor E. O. Flippin.

During the past few months Professor Henry C. Metcalf, of Tufts College, has been giving considerable attention to methods of selecting, promoting, and discharging employees in large industrial plants for the purpose of formulating underlying principles affecting vocational guidance in industry. He has made investigations of plants in Virginia, Massachusetts, and Ohio, and has delivered a number of lectures on "The human interpretation of industry." Professor Metcalf's work will be embodied in a *Vocational Guidance Report* for the June Convention of the National Association of Corporation Schools to be held in Pittsburgh.

Dr. John F. Crowell has been appointed executive officer of the New York Chamber of Commerce. Hitherto the activities of the chamber have been conducted by the secretary, a position formerly filled by Sereno S. Pratt and to which the former assistant secretary, Charles W. Gwynne, has been appointed. The creation of the position of executive officer divides the work between the secretary and this new office. An important part of Dr. Crowell's work will be the directing of research, including the planning of inquiries and coöperation with the various special and standing committees, of which there are fifteen. Among the reports on special inquiries recently published is one on the capacity of shipyards in the United States.

Announcement has been made that prizes offered by Hart Schaffner & Marx for 1915 have been awarded as follows: In Class A, first

prize was granted to Yetta Scheftel for a paper entitled "The taxation of land value: a study of certain discriminatory taxes on land"; second prize to Homer B. Vanderblue for a paper entitled "Railroad valuation"; and honorable mention to Edwin G. Nourse for a paper entitled "The Chicago produce market." In Class B, first prize was granted to Nathan Fine for a paper on "The business agent of the building trades unions of Chicago"; and second prize to Robert L. Wolf for a paper on "Some aspects of the theory of value."

The Board of Regents of the American Institute of Banking have selected the following subjects for post-graduate theses: (1) "The Second United States Bank and its lessons for the operation of the federal reserve system"; (2) "Security prices—interest and discount rates in the years immediately following the Napoleonic and Civil wars"; (3) "The London money market—its rise and its future." The length must not exceed 10,000 words.

The *Immigrants in America Review* announces a prize competition and public exhibition of plans, sketches, grouping, and arrangement for the housing of immigrants in America. The housing plans are divided into three groups: (a) single family house; (b) combined family and lodging house; (c) boarding house or community dwelling. The first prize is \$1000; the second \$500; and the third and fourth \$100 each. There are also prizes for the best plans for a railroad construction gang boarding car. The contest closes May 1, 1916.

The Department of Research of the Women's Educational and Industrial Union (264 Boylston St., Boston) announces three paid fellowships in social-economic research. Applications must be filed before May 1, 1916.

On January 7, twenty-nine members of the faculty of the University of Missouri, belonging to the departments of history, sociology, anthropology, philosophy, psychology, education, economics, political science, law, etc., met and organized a new professional fraternity, Alpha Zeta Pi (*Anthropos Zoon Politikon*), for the promotion of the social sciences. While the present organization is a purely local one, the organizers have had in mind the possibility of similar societies in various institutions of the country getting together and forming a national organization with the same purpose. Alpha Zeta Pi will attempt to do for the social sciences what Sigma Xi is doing for the natural sciences. Students who have distinguished themselves in the university by giving special promise of future achievement in the social sciences, will be stimulated by being elected student members of the

fraternity, and may later be elected permanent members. Both student members and permanent members will have equal rights in the fraternity. The officers for the present academic year are: president, Professor Max F. Meyer of the department of psychology; vice-president, professor C. A. Ellwood of the department of sociology; secretary-treasurer, Professor J. E. Wrench of the department of history. Other institutions desiring to organize chapters are invited to correspond with Professor Wrench.

THE ASSOCIATION OF COLLEGIATE TEACHERS OF BUSINESS LAW. Round-table conferences on the teaching of business law in university schools and departments of commerce, held under the auspices of the Association of American Law Schools, in Chicago, December 27-29, 1915, have led to the organization of the Association of Collegiate Teachers of Business Law. The officers are: president, L. F. Schaub (Harvard); secretary-treasurer, H. E. Oliphant (Chicago); executive committee, the administrative officers and L. E. Young (Illinois), A. W. Bays (Northwestern), S. W. Gilman (Wisconsin), and Nathan Isaacs (Cincinnati). Its object is to improve the standards of business law courses throughout the country.

The first task undertaken by the executive committee is to make a survey of courses now offered in business law. A survey made 25 years ago by the United States Bureau of Education and the American Bar Association revealed 240 colleges in which law courses were offered to non-professional students, most of them in business law. The number has probably increased since then, if in the absence of any later survey we may judge by (1) the tendency of the day to stress "practical" courses, (2) the generally admitted increase in the number of undergraduates preparing for business careers, and (3) the marked improvements in textbooks on the subject since 1900.

In the absence of the information that the survey alone can furnish, the discussions were limited at the conference to (1) the aim, (2) the scope, and (3) the methods of business law. On the last of these subjects there was the nearest approach to unanimity: all of the schools represented with the exception of St. Xavier's favor the use of cases. Judge Geoghehan of that school said that in his subject, sales, the presence of a code made the usefulness of cases questionable. Others thought the concrete cases on sales the most useful in our books for business students in spite of the fact that the code had changed the law of each state in a few particulars. During the discussion of this subject, Professor Floyd R. Mechem, the well-known authority on sales, was present.

As to the scope of the courses, opinions ranged from the skepticism of several visiting law school professors, notably Dean Vance and Mr. C. A. Robbins, as to whether there is any such thing as business law, to the views of Professor Schaub and the chairman, who reported that they were recasting their material in a business mould. The former, for example, presents sole-trader, partnership, and corporation side by side for purposes of comparison in each of a series of business transactions. The chairman in accordance with views elaborated by him recently in an article on the subject (*Journ. Pol. Econ.*, XXIII, p. 529) has renamed his courses: "the legal relation of buyer and seller; the legal relation of debtor and creditor; and the law of business associations."

The aim of courses in business law was not formulated. It was agreed to devote a meeting to the subject after the completion of the survey. Unanimity was discovered, however, on the main proposition—that the courses should strive to train a man in legal analysis as well as to inform. The emphasis of this feature goes hand in hand with the use of cases. So important did one teacher consider this training in the analysis of things as they happen that he objected to the use of simplified statements of facts in case-books. There were two sides to this argument, however. Still, the veering from the informational side to the training of the student in the ability to analyze and understand a legal situation, the ability, in other words, to know when a lawyer is needed, shows how far we have departed from the theory of every-man-his-own-lawyer that had pervaded commercial law books for two centuries.

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In commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the admission of the state of Illinois into the Union, five members of the faculty of the University of Illinois have been commissioned to write a "Centennial History of Illinois" in five volumes, of which the one dealing with the economic development of the state will be prepared by Professor E. L. Bogart. The work was seriously threatened last summer by a decision of the state supreme court which declared the centennial commission as then organized unconstitutional, but it was reconstituted in January, 1916, by the general assembly, which was called in special session for this and other purposes. It is planned to publish the history early in 1918.

The Library of Congress announces the acquisition of about 1000 books and periodicals relating to social revolutionary movements in Europe since the beginning of the nineteenth century, which were col-

lected by Dr. Simkhovitch, of Columbia University. There are complete sets of "Le peuple," "Le voix du peuple," "Die neue Zeit," edited by Karl Kautsky, "Die sozialistische Monatshefte," and many Russian anarchist and terrorist publications.

The Library of Congress also announces further additions to the material for economic history in account books, accounts, and collections of correspondence. Important are the papers given to the library by Judge Lewis H. Jones, of Louisville, Kentucky, containing mercantile and family correspondence dating as far back as 1694. These papers relate to the tobacco trade in England, invoices of imports, prices, slave purchases, and the cost of family supplies. Among the diaries acquired is that of Edmund Ruffin in 25 volumes, 1856-1865. Mr. Ruffin was a successful scientific farmer on a large scale and a "firm believer in the economic system of the South."

Professor Emory R. Johnson, of the University of Pennsylvania, is preparing a volume on *The Panama Canal and Commerce*. His *American Railway Transportation* is being revised by Dr. T. W. Van Metre and will be published this summer under the title of *Principles of Railway Transportation*. With the assistance of Professor G. G. Huebner, Professor Johnson is also revising his volume on *Ocean and Inland Water Transportation*, which will appear under the title of *The Merchant Marine and American Commerce*.

Wilfred H. Schoff, the secretary of the Commercial Museum of Philadelphia, has continued his studies in the early history of commerce by publishing with a translation and with various illustrative material the Greek text of "The Parthian Stations of Isidore of Charax."

Mr. J. O. Rankin, of the College of Agriculture of the University of Missouri, is preparing an economic history of agriculture in Missouri.

Professor Ward W. Pierson, of the University of Pennsylvania, is writing a book on *Railroad Law* to be published in Appleton's Railway Series.

Professor George G. Groat, of the University of Vermont, is soon to publish through the Macmillan Company a book entitled *An Introduction to the Study of Organized Labor in America*.

The nineteenth volume of the *Review of Historical Publications Relating to Canada*, in the series of University of Toronto Studies, and covering the year 1914, devotes about 30 pages to books and articles in the fields of geography, economics, and statistics.

Professor James Davenport Whelpley's book on *The Trade of the World* has been translated into Italian (Fratelli Bocca, Turin).

There will shortly be issued in the Harvard Economic Series *The Financial History of Boston*, by Professor Charles P. Huse, of Boston University.

The Library of Congress has published a *Classification of Social Groups: Communities, Classes, Races, Completing Class H: Social Sciences* (pp. 24).

Ohio State University has published a pamphlet on *Country Life Week*, which was held at Columbus, August 2-6, 1915, compiled by Professor Paul L. Vogt (pp. 70). It has many interesting maps upon the various forms of social activity in the state of Ohio.

The New York School of Philanthropy (United Charities Bldg.) has issued a series of Studies in Social Work. Among those recently printed are: No. 4, *Is Social Work a Profession?* by Abraham Flexner (pp. 24); No. 6, *Section on Charity from the Shulhan Arukh*, translated by Louis Feinberg (pp. 31); and No. 8, *Facts about Tuberculosis, Twenty Diagrams with Brief Descriptive Text*, by Lilian Brandt (pp. 40). The price of each of these is 25 cents.

The Department of Surveys and Exhibits of the Russell Sage Foundation published in December, 1915, a pamphlet on its *Activities and Publications* (pp. 12). The bibliography contains references to the documents and reports made by the various surveys in the different parts of the country. There has also been received *A Survey of the Activities of Municipal Health Departments in the United States*, by Franz Schneider, Jr. (Russell Sage Foundation, pp. 22).

The Central Bureau of the Roman Catholic Central Verein (Temple Bldg., Broadway and Walnut St., St. Louis, Mo.) has published a fourth edition of *A List of Books for the Study of the Social Question*, being an introduction to Catholic social literature, revised by Louis F. Budenz (pp. 27).

The Massachusetts Committee on Unemployment has issued the draft of an act on *Unemployment Insurance for Massachusetts* with an introduction and notes, prepared by Ordway Tead, secretary (75 State St., Boston). This pamphlet contains the first published attempt in this country at unemployment insurance legislation.

The New Review Publishing Association, which publishes the *New Review*, an organ of socialism, plans to publish books dealing with

international socialism. In this series are to be noted: *Socialism and the War*, by Louis B. Bourdin; *Socialism of New Zealand*, by Robert H. Hutchinson; *Socialism after the War*, by Louis C. Fraina, and *Studies in Socialism*, by Isaac A. Hourwich.

Johns Hopkins University Circular, No. 10, December, 1915, contains a list of the publications of graduates of the departments of history, political economy, and political science, 1901-1915 (pp. 112).

Professor George H. Mead, of the University of Chicago, has an article in the *Survey* for December 25, 1915, on "Madison—A review of William H. Allen's report on the survey of the University of Wisconsin."

The *Labor Gazette* for January, 1916, contains a bibliography of official documents of concerted wage movements of railway employees, 1912-1915.

A recent issue of the *Intercollegiate Socialist* has a supplement "Who gets America's wealth?" written by William English Walling. Another supplement is announced on "Coöperation in the United States" (*Intercollegiate Socialist*, 70 Fifth Ave., New York).

Current news in regard to vocational guidance may be found in the *Vocational Guidance Bulletin* (109 Church St., Nutley, N. J.).

The *Monthly Review* of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics, now in its first year of publication, contains in each issue a valuable bibliography of official reports relating to labor very fully annotated, and includes volumes published not only in this country but abroad.

The *Bankers' Magazine* of London has introduced a new feature in its educational section, namely, a department for the benefit of young women, who have been engaged in large numbers by the English banks to take the place of men engaged in military service.

The Department of History in Smith College has begun a quarterly entitled *Smith College Studies in History*, annual subscription, \$1.50. The editors are Professor J. S. Bassett and Professor S. B. Fay. The first number, October, 1915, is *An Introduction to the History of Connecticut as a Manufacturing State*, by Grace Pierpont Fuller.

A journal established during the past year is the *Monthly Transportation Register*, published by the Bureau of Applied Economics (Southern Bldg., Washington, D. C., price \$1). The managing editor is J. H. Bradford. This contains monthly reports of revenues and expenses of railroads, accident statistics, docket, decisions, and reports of the Interstate Commerce Commission, and railroad financial news.

The *Eugenical News*, a leaflet of four pages, will appear bimonthly in the interests of eugenic workers (Eugenics Research Office, Cold Spring Harbor, N. Y., price 25 cents).

A new quarterly journal entitled *The Military Historian and Economist* is issued by Harvard University Press. The editors are A. L. Conger and Professor R. M. Johnston, of Harvard University. Members of the advisory board are Professor C. J. Bullock, Professor Albert Bushnell Hart, Major James W. McAndrew, U. S. A., Justin H. Smith, and Professor O. M. W. Sprague. The first number, January, 1916, contains an article on "Financing the armed nation," by O. M. W. Sprague.

The Immigration Journal Company (3456 Macomb St., Washington, D.C.) announces the publication of *The Immigration Journal*, a monthly magazine to be devoted exclusively to immigration, naturalization, and closely related subjects. The first number appeared in February, 1916. The editor is Mr. W. W. Husband, at one time clerk of the Senate Committee on Immigration and later secretary of the United States Immigration Commission. Subscription price is \$1 per year.

Der Schweizer Volkswirt, published in German and in French is a new monthly journal edited by Walter Eggenschwyler (Zürich, Art Institut Orell Füssli, yearly price, 5 fr.). The first number appeared in November, 1915.

Appointments and Resignations

Professor Thomas S. Adams, of Cornell University, has been appointed professor of economics at Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University.

Professor George E. Barnett, of Johns Hopkins University, is to lecture at Columbia University through the first term of 1916-1917.

Mr. John Bovingdon is going to Keio University, Tokyo, Japan, as professor of economics.

Mr. John B. Canning has been appointed instructor in insurance at the College of Commerce and Administration of the University of Chicago.

Professor Chandler, of the University of Arizona, who has acted as expert to the Committee on Taxation of New York of which Senator Mills was chairman, has been appointed assistant professor of economics at Columbia University.

Mr. E. F. Damon, manager of the Villa Park Orchards Association, Orange, California, has been called to take the position made vacant by the death of Professor R. H. Ferguson at the Massachusetts Agricultural College.

Mr. Carson S. Duncan has been appointed lecturer in commercial organization at the College of Commerce and Administration of the University of Chicago.

Professor Williard C. Fisher is to carry on the work of Professor Jenks at New York University during the latter's absence for the second half of the current academic year.

Professor J. O. Gillin has been promoted to a full professorship in sociology at the University of Wisconsin.

Dr. K. R. Green is instructor in history and economics at Delaware College.

Professor Thomas L. Harris, of Carlton College, is professor of sociology at Miami University, succeeding Professor Vogt.

Professor Phillip S. Kennedy, of New York University, has been appointed Commercial Attaché and assigned to Melbourne, Australia.

Mr. Theodore Macklin has succeeded Mr. E. D. Baker as instructor in rural economics at the Kansas State Agricultural College.

Mr. G. H. Newlove has been appointed a research scholar on the Illinois centennial history which is being prepared by members of the faculty of the University of Illinois.

Mr. Edwin F. Nourse has been elected professor of economics at the University of Arkansas.

Mr. Herman E. Oliphant has been appointed assistant professor of business law in the College of Commerce and Administration of the University of Chicago.

Professor W. Z. Ripley, of Harvard University, is lecturing at Columbia University during the second half-year.

Dr. A. M. Sakolski, who is acting as secretary of the Valuation Committee of the Delaware and Hudson Company at Albany, is assisting Dr. Robert Tudor Hill in the courses in economics at Union College and is also conducting a course in corporation finance before the Albany chapter of the Institute of Banking.

Dr. Earl A. Saliers, for the part year instructor in accounting at Sheffield Scientific School of Yale University, has been promoted to the rank of assistant professor.

Professor H. R. Seager, of Columbia University, is absent on his sabbatical year from February, 1916, to February, 1917. He will probably go to South America and also expects to complete his book on trusts.

Professor E. R. A. Seligman has resigned the chairmanship of the committee on academic freedom of the American Association of University Professors and has been elected vice-president of the association.

Mr. Frederick M. Simons has been appointed instructor in industrial organization at the College of Commerce and Administration of the University of Chicago.

Mr. Carl C. Taylor is an instructor in the department of economics at Mt. Holyoke College during the second semester.

Mr. Robert H. Tucker is associate professor of economics at Washington and Lee University.

Professor Paul L. Vogt, formerly of Miami University, is now head of the department of rural economics and sociology at Ohio State University.

Mr. Russell Weisman is an instructor in economics at Mt. Holyoke College for the second half-year.

Professor Chester W. Wright, of the University of Chicago, has been granted a year's leave of absence and is traveling in the Orient.

Mr. Richard H. Ferguson, extension professor of agricultural economics at the Massachusetts Agricultural College, died December 1, 1915. He had just completed a very careful study of the marketing of milk in Massachusetts, the report of which is almost ready for publication. A scheme for securing coöperative credit, devised by Mr. Ferguson, is now recommended by the United States Department of Agriculture.

Professor Edward Van Dyke Robinson died December 10, 1915. Mr. Robinson held the chair of economics at the University of Minnesota from 1907 until the end of the academic year of 1915 and was then appointed to a professorship at Columbia University.

Professor John Christopher Schwab, librarian of Yale University, died January 12, 1916, at the age of fifty years. Mr. Schwab was made instructor in political economy at Yale in 1890 and in 1898 advanced to a professorship. In 1905 he was made librarian of the university. He was the author of *The History of the New York Property Tax* and *Confederate States of America, 1861-1865*.